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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in reply to a notice of non-compliant amendment mailed March 19, 2009, and within the shortened time period for reply, which is one-month. No fees are believed to be due with this reply.

Provided herewith and for consideration with the above-identified Application are:

Amendments to the Claims reflected in the Listing of Claims that begin on page 2;

Remarks that begin on page 6; and

Conclusion that begins on page 9 of this paper.